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Soil Resource Conclave to be Held Here

December 2 and 3 Picked for Conference on Productiveness of County; Chamber Rooms Used

How to economically maintain the productivity of Washington county soils could be an appropriate title for the two-day soil resource conference to be held next week, according to W. F. Cyrus, county agent.

Thursday and Friday, December 2 and 3, in the Hillsboro chamber of commerce rooms, beginning each morning at 9:45, questions, problems, methods and practices pertaining to and that have proven effective and practical in maintaining the producing ability of soils in this county will be discussed.

Discussion Items Listed

Effective crop rotation systems, the function and maintenance of organic matter in the soil and how the value of barnyard manure may be increased are phases of crop and soil management to be discussed.

Seal Sale to Open Friday

Community chairman in 115 different locations throughout the county will begin the annual Tuberculosis Campaign Seal sale to-morrow in the drive for funds to combat the ravages of tuberculosis.

Funds Aid Work Here

During the past year, she said, funds from the seal sale have aided the Washington county health unit in its work of conducting tuberculosis clinics. In cases found to have a positive reaction to the test and that needed a follow-up treatment an X-ray picture, aid was given by the Washington county health association in cases unable to afford the work.

Shop Road for Saturday Bargain Day Observance

Twenty-eight Local Merchants Join in Presenting "Extra-Special" Bargains in Anticipation of Holiday Purchases; Free Gift Distribution Being Planned

Saturday will be a gala day in Hillsboro for thrifty Washington county shoppers when the Hillsboro merchants stage their regular holiday "bargain day."

Twenty-eight leading Hillsboro merchants have cooperated in offering "extra special" bargains enough to meet the needs of an average sized family, while six other businessmen are assisting with the promotion by making special announcements or offerings.

Besides the special bargain offered by each participating business, there are also numerous other bargains to be found among the merchandise being offered for sale.

Merchants also are making every effort to have Christmas decorations and merchandise stocks in place Saturday, making pleasing displays and offering a wide variety of suggestions for Christmas gifts.

All visitors in Hillsboro are being invited to participate in the free gift distribution, which will take place at 2 p. m. at Main street and Third avenue, under the direction of members of the retail traders committee of the chamber of commerce.

More than 200 gifts of various kinds will be distributed, including everything from orders for a certain sum in trade with participating merchants, to automobile accessories, hardware, dishes, blankets, clothing, stock food, electric flat irons and other articles.

Plan Car Markers Given-out-town shoppers also will be given courtesy windshield stickers to mark out-of-town cars in connection with the new parking ordinance recently passed by the city council.

Bargain day, held several times each year, is sponsored by the retail traders committee of the Hillsboro chamber of commerce. Members include Neal Bush, chairman, P. A. Anderson, Jake Weil, Ralph Wilson, Fred Engeldinger, Nye Bristol, Lester Ireland, George Sohrfride, Fred Amacher, Jim Conner, Larry Bates, C. C. Weber and H. H. Smith.

All stores participating in the Bargain Day celebration will display the stickers in conjunction with the special gifts donated to the Bargain Day celebrations by the individual store.

Details of the bargains offered can be found on an inside page of this Argus, with each item listed as to quality and price. In addition to the special page, announcements, there are many other advertisements in which are listed purchases worth investigation of purchasers.

Plan Christmas Party Plans for a Christmas party were made at the firemen's auxiliary meeting Friday evening at the fire hall, Mrs. A. L. Brook and Mrs. Harold Weissenback were hostesses for the meeting.

County agricultural agents have been supplied with copies of the report for local distribution to all citizens of Oregon who request it. The title is "Oregon Agricultural Situation and Outlook, 1937 Circular No. 11."

Need for a spiritual awakening was pointed out by Rev. Arthur Dunagan, Congregational minister, at the Rotary luncheon Thursday. O. B. Gates was chairman. A roundup of committees will be featured at the meeting December 2 and the annual football squad luncheon will be December 10. District Governor Fred Smith of Tacoma, Wash., will visit here December 6.

Nebraskaans Visit Maurice V. Leger and his son Theodore of Seward, Nebraska, are visiting his brother, T. A. Leger, and the David Leger and A. L. Jensen families.

New Traffic Code's Value to All Cited

New One-Hour Parking Law Subject of Chamber of Commerce Forum; Farmers Speakers Favor

Value of Hillsboro's new traffic code in providing more parking space for a greater number of people in the course of a day was pointed out in an open forum discussion at the chamber of commerce luncheon Monday.

Principal aim of the city council in adopting the new traffic regulations was to achieve an orderly and more convenient parking space for customers from the surrounding communities and other visitors.

The one-hour time limit on city parking in certain districts under the new ordinance was adopted by the city council after a discussion with the chamber of commerce.

Three farmers, who were present at the luncheon as the new plan of the community relations committee whereby each member brings a farmer at some time during the year, gave opinions in direct opposition to the Union resolution.

Formerly I had to carry groceries three or four blocks to reach my car," said E. L. Krause, who farms near Hillsboro. "When you do that, it is like it too well. Now it's possible to park for a short time within easy reach of the stores. It's a good ordinance."

H. E. Johnson of route two, Beaverton, said "An hour is long enough for a man to transact any business he desires. If he wants to stay longer, he's got time to park on non-restricted streets." Roy Rest, another farmer from the same neighborhood, also expressed himself as satisfied with the manner in which the new parking ordinance is working out.

Chief Explains Developments Ideas of one vital, concerned with administering the ordinance were given by Chief of Police O. O. Freeman. "There has been considerable questioning of the possible success of a restricted parking ordinance," he said.

"Considerable criticism has been raised prior to the date the ordinance took effect. But now 85 to 90 per cent of those with whom I have talked are favorable to its regulation out. We have less congestion and better shopping conditions."

Farmers sometimes object about the curbing down of their parking time, but the biggest objection to kinks come from those who want to visit for a whole afternoon in town and dash home to milk the cows at the last possible moment. The farmer who comes to town to do shopping as a rule are in favor of the new law.

Ticket Output Less Not so many overtime parking tickets are being given out now as in the past week, the chief of police said. The ordinance took effect, the chief revealed. As many as three books of 50 tickets each were used during the first few days, he said, but they are being given out more sparingly now. The tickets are intended as educational and no fines are levied.

Teachers Name Metzger Man A. A. Baldwin of Metzger grade school, was chosen 1938 president of the Washington County Teachers' association at a meeting in Forest Grove last Saturday morning.

More than 100 of the county's teachers gathered at the meeting in Forest Grove union high school for the first county meeting since the start of classes last September. Other officers chosen to serve with Baldwin include Frank Sias of Baldwin union high school, vice-president; Marguerite Doehler, county secretary; and Hila Cornwell of Hillsboro, treasurer. The last two named officers were re-elected, while President Baldwin was elevated from the vice-presidency, which post he held for this year.

Professor R. Franklin Thompson of the history department at Willamette university gave the principal talk of the day in addressing the assembled teachers on "Ox-ford of the Present Day." "While Oxford still maintains century-old customs and practices," he said, "the students develop a broad outlook on life with service and character as their goals, rather than money-making as the goal with far too many American students."

Grade school teachers, in a separate session, heard Superintendent Mary L. Fulkerson of Marion after discussing "Social Studies." D. A. Emerson, assistant superintendent of public instruction, addressed the high school section on "Extra-Curricular Activities," with W. L. Arant of Forest Grove high school acting as chairman of the meeting. The association will meet next December 1.

Five Sets of Twins at David Hill School



Teachers may think they are seeing double at the David Hill school, where five sets of twins are attending school. Seated, left to right, are Joyce and Jean Hoyt, 10; Don and Ron Hubbard, 7; Geraldine and Joyce Davidson, 7; Jack and Jean Morrison, 7. Standing are Charley Dan and Shirley Ann Laurie, 8.—Cut courtesy Oregonian.

Shell Christmas Show in County Next Wednesday

Traveling in a car of the famous "tear-drop" design, the annual Shell Christmas show will visit Beaverton, Hillsboro and Forest Grove Wednesday afternoon, December 1. The show will be held on the main floor of the Shell station, 3:30 p. m. Scientific workers, never before revealed, will afford youngsters a glimpse of what the future holds in store. And, Joey, the clown, ever popular with kiddies, will be on the stage too.

23rd Annual Nut Growers' Meet Planned

Economic factors in nut production, such as surplus control, marketing problems, trends and prices, will hold the spotlight at the twenty-third annual meeting of the Western Nut Growers' association, to be held at Newberg December 9 and 10.

Christmas Party December 11

Saturday, December 11, will be Christmas Party day this year in Hillsboro. It was decided last night by the city council to have the retail traders committee of the chamber of commerce and a group of local merchants, who will combine forces to handle the 1937 event.

Forest Grove Bank Bought

Transamerica Corporation has taken over controlling interest in the First National bank of Forest Grove, an announcement made here Monday by M. R. Johnson, president, revealed.

Bar Association Names Local Men

Two more Hillsboro lawyers were named on a committee by Alan G. Carson, president of the Oregon State Bar association, in a supplemental list released this week. George R. Bagley was appointed to the committee on retirement of judge and G. Russell Morgan, district attorney, was named a member of the local committee of the bar association. These two appointments followed the meeting of the local bar association in Portland last week-end, and followed the appointment two weeks before of 33 attorneys to various other committees.

Early Christmas Mailing Urged by Postmaster

With Christmas Day only one month away, Postmaster L. T. McClellan issued a warning this week to those sending holiday packages and messages urging them to "Get Christmas mail in as soon as possible."

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The program of the first meeting will be devoted chiefly to the president's address, by W. G. Fellows, Gaston; a report on current studies in the control of walnut blight, by P. W. Miller of the U. S. department of agriculture, stationed at O. S. C., and a discussion of wormy filberts, by B. G. Thompson, O. S. C. entomologist.

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Saturday at 10 a. m. has been set as the date for a county road meeting, an official notice from the county court stated.

The first held since November, 1931, was called by the county court when petitioned by C. J. Stickney, Matt King, Henry G. Hagg, Russell L. Lee, W. J. Enschel and H. S. Chapman. A special road tax of two mills for improvement of county roads is to be sought at the meeting.

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County Judge Donald T. Templeton has issued the following statement on behalf of the county court with regard to the coming road meeting for residents who are taxpayers of road district number one: "To anyone who makes any use of the county roads the necessity of taking some action to secure more funds is apparent. For several years there has been a gradual and perceptible deterioration of county roads until at the present time many of them are in a condition which makes travel over them extremely uncomfortable and in some instances hazardous."

This condition may be attributed to several causes of which the following are perhaps outstanding: "(1) Increased use of the roads is a contributing factor. High speed travel, especially by heavy trucking equipment, subjects roads to a strain which could not have been foreseen at the time of their construction. The increased use in such activities as logging by truck imposes a punishment on county highways which without constant and expensive maintenance will result in their destruction. This increased traffic however, constitutes a part of the industry of the county. It is here to stay and the roads must be constructed in a manner which will cope with it."

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Oregon Farm Price Index Skids 14 Points Off April High Mark

With the Oregon index of the general level of farm prices down to 79 per cent of the 1926-1930 average at mid-October, there has been a decline of 14 points from the peak of last April, according to a review of the agricultural situation and outlook just released by the Oregon agricultural extension service. The report shows that Oregon farm prices in general are on an even level with the average of the whole country, but compared with October, 1936, the Oregon index is down just five points against seven for the whole country.

Legionnaires Plan Series of Dances

A series of four dances will be sponsored by Hillsboro Post American Legion, at the Shute park auditorium, beginning December 27 according to plans made at post meeting Tuesday night. Wilbur Dillon is committee chairman. Donald of the Navy and his orchestra will furnish the music. Letters of appreciation to all groups who aided in the Armistice day observance were ordered. Special appreciation was voted for the co-operation of Banks post and auxiliary and these groups will be invited to participate in all patriotic celebrations here.

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